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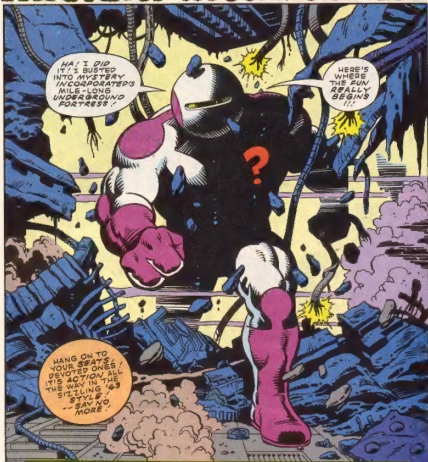
MYSTERY INCORPORATED

GOLDARN
IT, CRYSTAL
MAN! OUR
OWN HEAD-
QUARTERS
IS TRYING
TO MURDER
US...

MAYHEM
ON THE
MYSTERY MILE!

...AND IT'S
ALL YOUR
FAULT!

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"MAYHEM ON MYSTERY MILE!"

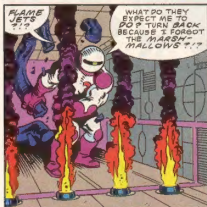
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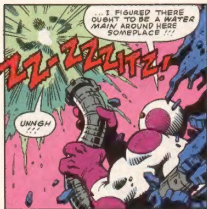
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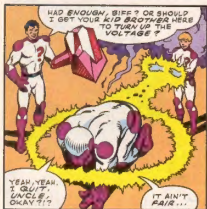
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KILROY







EVEN IF BIFF HAD
PENETRATED FURTHER,
I'D HAVE TOUGHEN
ANTI-INTRUDER DEVICES
WAITING FOR HIM!

I'VE BEEN MEANING TO INSTALL
THEM EVER SINCE AMAZONA
BROKE INTO MYSTERY MILE
SO EASILY! *

DO I REMEMBER!
OL' BIFF'S BEEN CARRY-
ING A TORCH FOR THAT
JUNGLE JEZEBEL EVER SINCE!

* SEE MYSTERY INCORPORATED # 23 - ACCURATE AL

YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND
ABOUT A REAL WOMAN LIKE
AMAZONA, JUNIOR! MAYBE
WHEN YOU START SHAVING
I'LL EXPLAIN IT TO YOU!

JEANNIE!
WHAT ARE YOU
STARING
AT?!

OH, JUST THE
REMAINS OF
THE ROCKET
THAT STARTED
ALL THIS...!

EVERY TIME I SEE IT,
IT ALL COMES BACK TO
ME, AS IF IT WERE
YESTERDAY...

"HOW EXCITED THE GOVERNMENT WAS
WHEN THAT MYSTERY ASTEROID
PASSED CLOSE TO EARTH ON ITS MIL-
LION-YEAR ORBIT... AND HOW THEY
SENT US UP IN A PROTOTYPE MOON-
ROCKET TO INVESTIGATE!"

"AN ASTRONAUT, A PHYSICIST, AND
TWO WHIE-KID COLLEGE STUDENTS."
WE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WE WERE
LETTING OURSELVES IN FOR... NOT
UNTIL WE FOUND THAT CRATER
WITH THE ALIEN STAIRWAY
WINDING DOWN...

"AND AT THE BOTTOM, THOSE
GIGANTIC ALIEN STATUES
REMNANTS OF A LONG-DEAD RACE
WHOSE PURPOSE WAS BEYOND OUR
UNDERSTANDING."



"HAD THEY BEEN SET TO GUARD SOME PLACE OF
POWER, OF OTHERWORLDLY SCIENCE OR RELIGION?"

"WE MAY NEVER KNOW. WE ONLY
KNOW THAT POWER WAS VERY MUCH
ALIVE. REMEMBER, WHEN WE
STEPPED UPON THE DECORATED
TILES BENEATH THE STATUES?
NOW THE AIR WAS FILLED WITH
TINGLING RAYS OF COLORED
LIGHT?"



"WAS THAT CRATER WHERE ALIENS WOR-
SHIPPED THEIR GODS...OR WHERE THEY
CREATED THEM? WE WENT IN AS
TOMMY BAKER, BIFF BAKER,
JEANNIE MORROW AND CRAIG
CRANDALL..."



"WE CAME OUT AS THE PLANET, KID DYNAMO,
NEON QUEEN AND CRYSTAL MAN..."

"...AND EVER
SINCE THEN,
NOTHING'S
BEEN THE
SAME..."

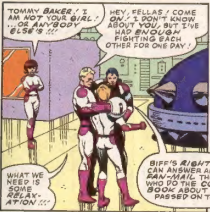
"OH, I DON'T KNOW...
YOU'RE STILL AS
BEAUTIFUL AS EVER!"



"HEY, FACET-FACE!
QUIT MAKING TIME
WITH JEANNIE...!
SHE'S MY GIRL..."

"TOMMY BAKER, I
AM NOT YOUR GIRL!
...OR ANYBODY
ELSE'S..."

"HEY, FELLAS! COME
ON! I DON'T KNOW
ABOUT YOU, BUT I'VE
HAD ENOUGH
FIGHTING EACH
OTHER FOR ONE DAY!"



"WHAT WE
NEED IS
SOME
RELAX-
ATION..."

"BIFF'S RIGHT. WE
CAN ANSWER ALL THAT
CAN-MAIL THOSE GUYS
WHO DO THE COMIC-
BOOK ABOUT US.
PASSED ON TO US."

"HUH, WASN'T
EXACTLY WHAT I
HAD IN MIND!
STILL, I GUESS
IT BEATS GETTING
GASSED AND
ELECTROCUTED!"





AND SO...

HEH! THE THINGS THESE KIDS WRITE! "DEAR MR. PLANET, WHERE DO YOUR OTHER TWO FINGERS GO WHEN YOU POWER-UP?!"

PURN GOOD QUESTION, COME TO THINK OF IT!

HMMMPH! THE ONLY MAIL ABOUT ME SAYS I SHOULD QUIT THE GROUND!



HEY, DON'T TAKE IT SO HARD, GAL O' MINE! EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT ALL THE BEST SUPERHEROES ARE GUYS!!!

IF CHICKS GOT INTO SCRAPS LIKE OL' U.S.A. HERE, THEY'D WORRY ABOUT CHIPPING THEIR NAIL-POLISH!!



MEN! THEY THINK THEY'RE SO DARNED SUPERIOR!

BUT... WHAT IF THEY'RE RIGHT? MAYBE I AM THE WEAK LINK IN THE TEAM! GUESS I'LL GO TO MY QUARTERS AND THINK THINGS OVER!



PERHAPS IF I WERE A LITTLE FLIRT, LIKE INFRA-GIRL...!

WAIT! WHO ON EARTH'S THAT?



IT'S SOME SORT OF INTRUDER IN A STRANGE SUIT, BACKING OUT OF THE MAYBE MACHINE CHAMBER!

THE WAY HE'S STAGGERING, IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S SICK!



WELL, HE'LL FEEL A LOT SICKER WHEN I GET THROUGH WITH HIM!

POWER UP!!!



I-I DON'T UNDER-
STAND! WHY IS HE
STILL BACKING
TOWARDS ME? AND
WHAT ARE THOSE
WEIRD SOUNDS
HE'S MAKING?

!NGUOC

!NGUOC



WHAT THE...?
HE'S BACKING
THROUGH ME
-- AND HE SEEMS
TO BE RE-
COVERING!

INSTEAD OF
MAKING HIM
WEAKER, I
SEEM TO BE
MAKING HIM
STRONGER!



THIS IS CRAZY! HE'S
BACKED THROUGH THE
GAS THAT MADE EVEN
THE PLANET FEEL
GROGGY-- AND HE'S
HEALTHIER THAN
EVER!

ONE THING'S
FOR SURE...
MAINTAINING
MY VAPOROUS
STATE IS
USELESS!

POWER
DOWN!



I DON'T GET IT--HOW
CAN HE WALK BACK-
WARDS WITH SUCH BASS
AND CONFIDENCE ??

IS IT MY IMAGI-
NATION, OR IS HE
STARTING TO
MOVE FASTER ??

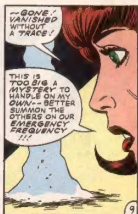
-- HE
CAN'T SEE
WHERE HE'S
GOING!



I WAS RIGHT! HE'S
MOVING LIKE A SPEEDED-
UP FILM, GETTING
FASTER AND FASTER
UNTIL...

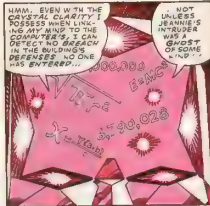
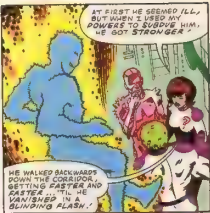


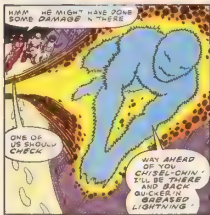
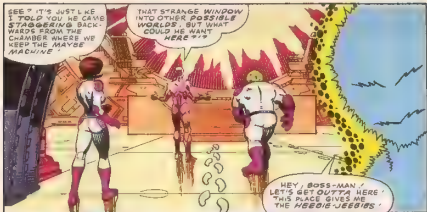
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FLASH OF LIGHT! I
CAN'T SEE WHERE HE'S...

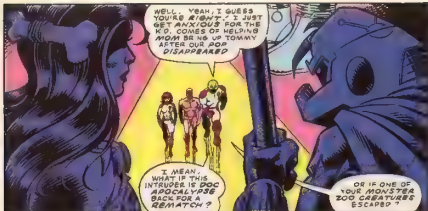


-- GONE!
VANISHED
WITHOUT
A TRACE!

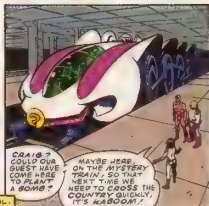
THIS IS
TOO BIG A
MYSTERY TO
HANDLE ON MY
OWN-- BETTER
SUMMON THE
OTHERS ON OUR
EMERGENCY
FREQUENCY
!!!

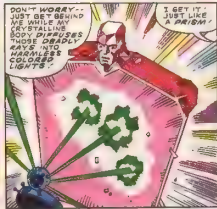
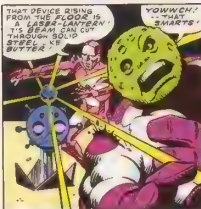
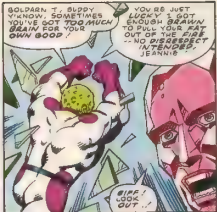
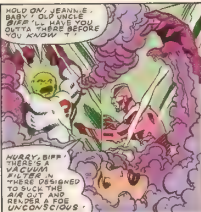




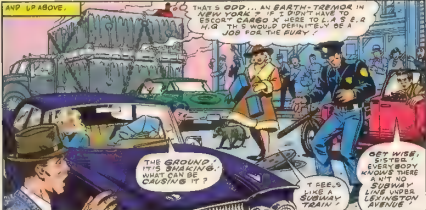


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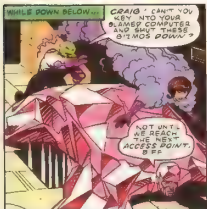
AND UP ABOVE.



THE GROUND!
IT'S SHAKING!
WHAT CAN BE
CAUSING IT?

I FEEL'S
LIKE A
SUBWAY
TRAIN!

GET WISE,
SISTER!
EVERYBODY
KNOWS THERE
A'N'T NO
SUBWAY
LINE UNDER
LEXINGTON
AVENUE!



WHILE DOWN BELOW...
CRAIG! CAN'T YOU
KEY INTO YOUR
BLAMED COMPUTER
AND SHUT THESE
B'IMOS DOWN?

NOT UNTIL
WE REACH
THE NEXT
ACCESS POINT,
BFF.



AND THERE ARE
PLENTY MORE
OBSTACLES
IN OUR WAY!

CRAIG! BIFF!
I'M BEING DRAWN
INTO SOME KIND
OF SUCTION
DEVICE!!



POWER
DOWN,
JEANNIE

AND
HOLD
ONTO
SOME-
THING...

WH LET'S
FRAGMENT
INTO A
SHOWER
SPLINTER-SOLVES...

AND BLOCK
UP THESE
EXTRACTOR
VENTS!



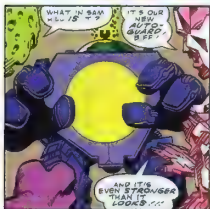
DON'T WORRY
JEANNIE,
I GOT YOU!

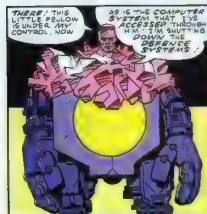
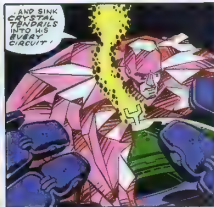
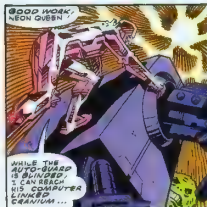


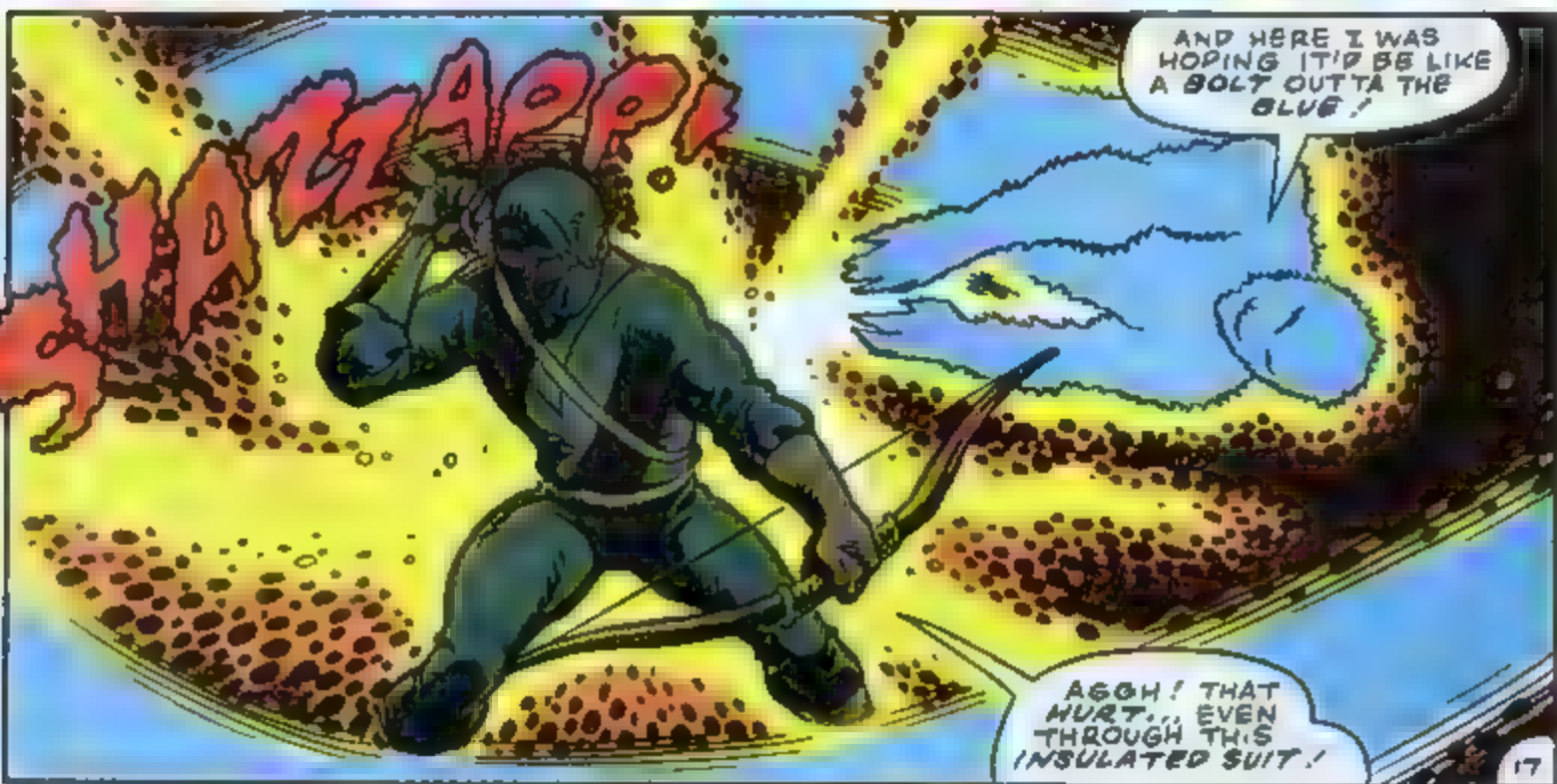
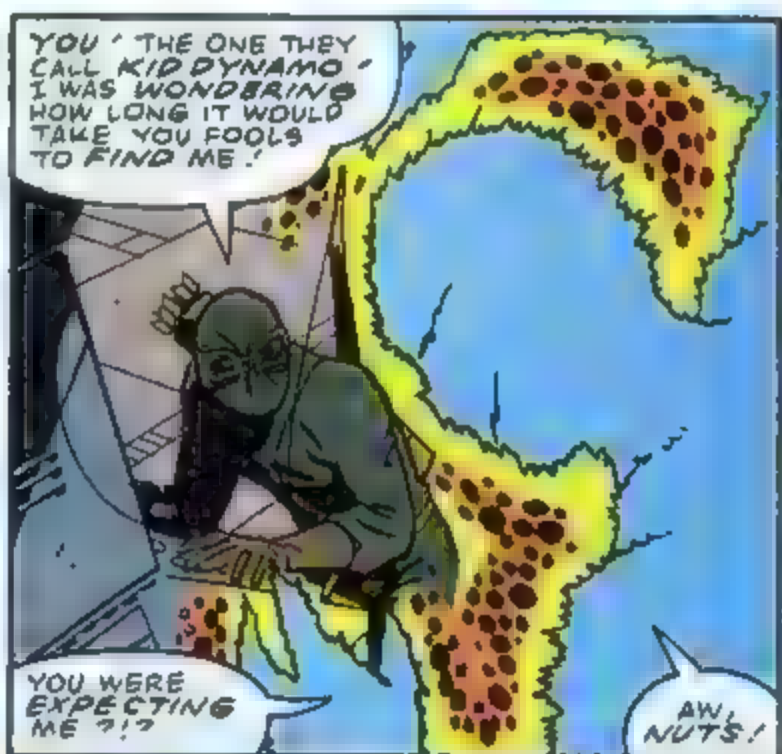
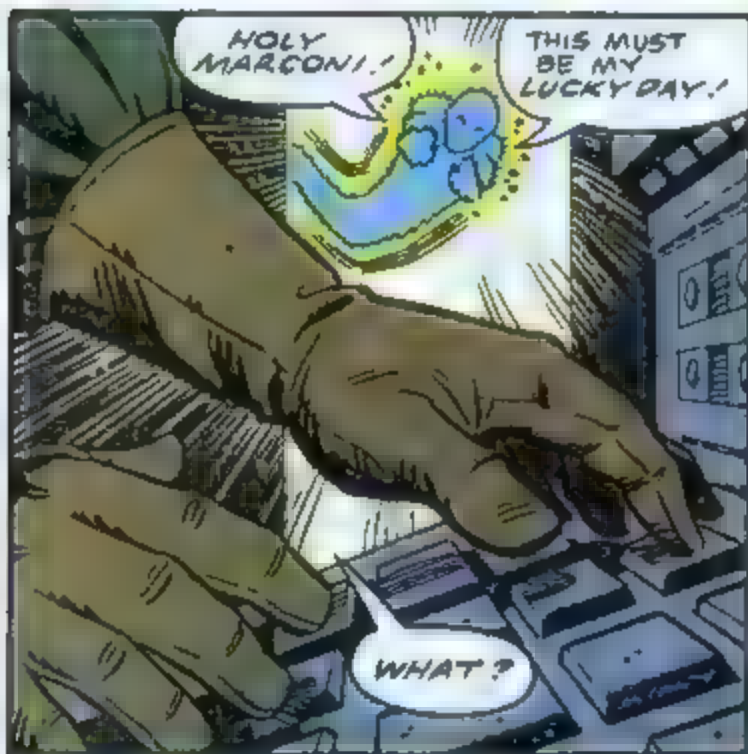
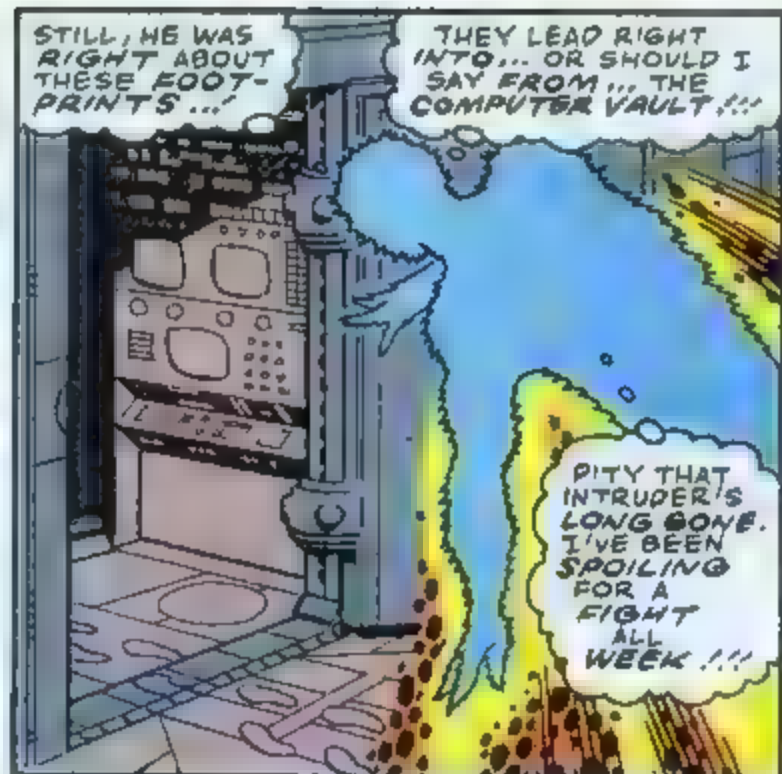
NO PROBLEM
BIFF

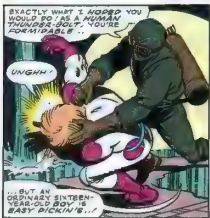
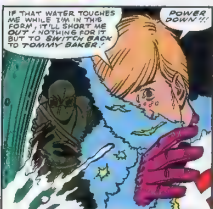
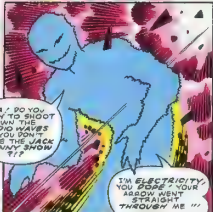
...NOT FOR A
MULTI-FACETED
PERSONALITY
LIKE ME!

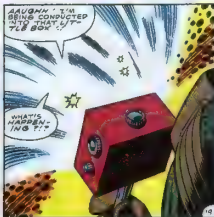
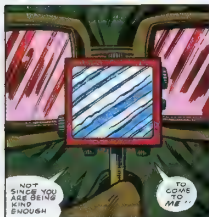
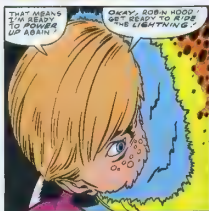
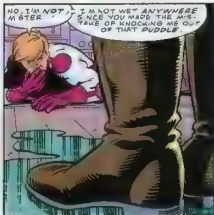
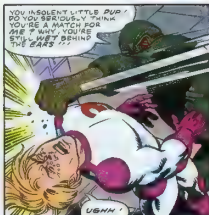
NOW, LET'S
GET MOVING!

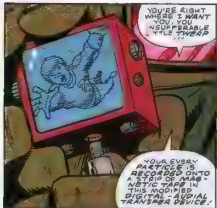
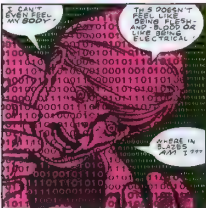
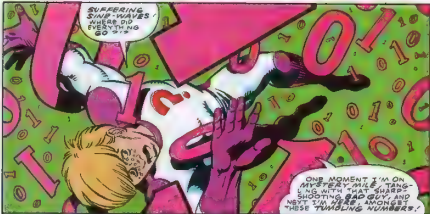












ELSEWHERE...

OKAY, TWINKLE--TOES,
WE FOLLOWED YOU INTO
THE LECTURE ROOM--
NOW, WHERE'S THE BIG
REVELATION YOU
PROMISED US?

IT'S COMPLICATED
BIFF. I'LL NEED
THIS BLACKBOARD
TO EXPLAIN...

"I MEAN, IT SOUNDED GREAT-- A
WINDOW THROUGH WHICH WE COULD
STUDY POSSIBLE WORLDS THAT
MIGHT HAVE BEEN. BUT, SOME
OF THE THINGS WE'VE SEEN..."

YOU SEE, IF I'M RIGHT,
OUR INVERTED INTERUPPER
DOESN'T ORIGINATE IN
THIS UNIVERSE AT
ALL... HE
CAME HERE
THROUGH
THE MAYBE
MACHINE.

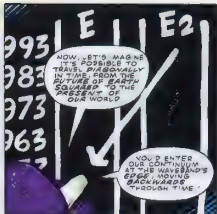
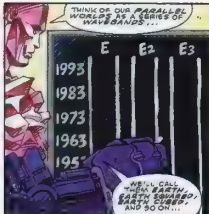
THAT BASTARD
THING. IT'S
BEEN SPOOKY
AROUND HERE
EVER SINCE YOU
BUILT IT."

"I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN." REMEMBER
THAT ALTERNATE REALITY WHERE
WE EACH STOOD ON DIFFERENT
TILES IN THAT CRATER AND RECEIVED
EACH OTHER'S POWERS??"

BRR. DON'T REMIND
ME. SO WHAT ARE
YOU SAYING, CRAB?"
THAT OUR INTERUPPER
CAME FROM ANOTHER
UNIVERSE??"

"I SURE DO. 'OR THE TIME WE
SLUMPED A WORLD WHERE A
BUNCH OF REDS BEAT US TO
THE ASTEROID AND BECAME THE
MYSTERY COLLECTIVE.?"

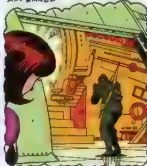
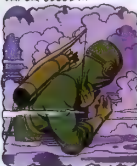
NOT ONLY THAT,
BIFF, BUT HE CAME
FROM ANOTHER TIME
AS WELL. HERE,
I'LL EXPLAIN...



"SINCE THIS DIAGONAL TRAJECTORY IS LONGER, YOU'D ALSO BE MOVING AT A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT SPEED WHEN YOU APPEARED IN A FLASH OF LIGHT, STILL LEADING FROM FUTURE TO PAST..."

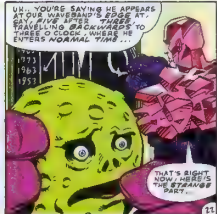
"THE FLASH YOU SAW, JEANNIE WAS OUR GUEST ARRIVING, NOT DEPARTING. YOU JUST SAW IT BACKWARDS. HE ARRIVED EARLY, THEN WALKED THROUGH YOUR VAPOR CLOUD..."

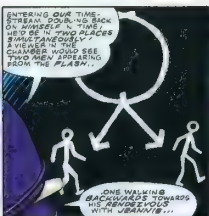
"COUGHING AND REELING, HE STAGGERED INTO THE MAYBE MACHINE CHAMBER, OUT OF SIGHT. REMEMBER, JEANNIE SAW THIS HAPPENING REVERSE, SO TO HER, THAT'S WHERE HE APPEARED."



"INSIDE THE CHAMBER, HE APPROACHED THE EQUAL POINT OF OUR WAVEBAND, WHERE HE WOULD MATERIALIZE FULLY AND START MOVING ALONG WITH OUR WORLD'S TIME FLOW. THE MAYBE MACHINE ITSELF..."

"UH... YOU'RE SAYING HE APPEARS AT OUR WAVEBAND'S EDGE AT, SAY, FIVE AFTER THREE, TRAVELLING BACKWARDS TO THREE O'CLOCK, WHERE HE ENTERS NORMAL TIME..."







...INTO THE
**MAYBE
MACHINE!**

WHEN WAKES
THE
WAR BEAST?

IS THIS THE END OF MYSTERY INCORPORATED? WE
AIN'T SAYIN' NUTHIN', EXCEPT BE HERE IN THIRTY
DAYS WHEN THE FEROCIOUS FURY FACES THE VOID
AND A TRULY TERRIFYING NEW SUPER-FOE IN...

--SAY NO MORE!--

A SIZZLIN' SIXTY-THREE SOUVENIR **SNAP-SHOT!**

A full-page comic book illustration of Crystal Man, a character with a pink, crystalline, jagged body. He is standing in a desolate, rocky landscape with orange and yellow ground and a purple sky. He holds a grey, rectangular electronic device with a single antenna in his right hand. The scene is filled with sharp, angular rock formations and a sense of dramatic lighting.

STAND ASIDE
FOR THE SILICON
SLEUTH! HERE COMES...

**CRYSTAL
MAN !!**

A SIZZLIN' SIXTY-THREE SOUVENIR **SNAP-SHOT!**



A SIZZLIN' SIXTY-THREE SOUVENIR **SNAP-SHOT!**



DON'T TOUCH
THAT DIAL! YOU'RE
TUNED INTO THE
TEENAGE THUNDERBOLT...

**KID
DYNAMO!!**

A SIZZLIN' SIXTY-THREE SOUVENIR **SNAP-SHOT!**





Dan Boleo, M.O., University of Verbeke, B.S., Hoboken U., Director of Language Institute Method, authority on adult educating.

Shamed by You English?

*You can speak soon and write
like a graduate college if me
let you help for a day of 15 minutes.*

If you've been ever shamed by your English mistake, I can maybe save you from disappointing years.

Have I met numbers countless men and women being who are held back in their social jobs and lives, without often knowing it, because express themselves, they cannot, fully and easily.

ABOUT YOU, WHAT?

If people are not impressed the way by you speak and write - if and your enough honest to admit it yourself - have you taken already the first big success step.

HERE'S TO DO WHAT?

You master English good, without school going back to! Years over thousands I have helped, men and women, their own homes right there in.

I can you too help, give will you 15 day minutes, to the Language Institute Method. To my answers the questions following explain why need you a good English command and easily how you can something do about ahead getting.

Question: *What is so important about my ability to speak and write?*

Answer: People you judged by, both in business, and social life, the way you speak and write.

Question: *What does a "command of good English" mean?*

Answer: It can mean yourself clearly express, without easy fear of making embarrassed mistakes.

Question: *Are there other advantages to be gained by acquiring a command of good English?*

Answer: Yes! "Tools of thought" are words actually! Learn you the more about words and use them how to your ideas, form and express, becomes your thinking better.

Question: *Wouldn't I have to go back to school for a command of good English?*

Answer: Not, anymore, no. Gain you to speak the ability and write college like a graduate in your own home, right each day for 15 minutes only.

Question: *How do I know your method works?*

Answer: Letters in thousands there in my files, from peoples in all life walks,

testimonials, proved to us the Language Institute Method. Amazing to achieve results. If below, you send in the coupon, some of these letters I can share you with.

Question: *Wait a minute! Why in God's name would I write to a comic book to enroll in a correspondence course to learn better English?*

Answer: What?!!! You no want learn to how use exclamation points very many times in one sentence just?!!! **PLUS**, you how learn to **emphasize BIG IMPORTANT WORDS** in erratic like manner, much like **ME!!!**

Question: *How can I find out more about the Language Institute Method?*

Answer: Gladly mail, I will a free booklet to 32 pages to you. Just send a postcard fill or mail the coupon out. Forget not!!!

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